For Grown-Ups:

First of all, thank you! Thank you for supporting Created Ministry and for joining us in the desire to help people learn to get creative with God. There are several things you need to know before we get started:

\*Each major project is grouped together and labeled with supplies specific to just that project. All other supplies will be used for multiple projects. You will have leftover for more creating!

\*These projects don’t need to be completed at one time. Space it out. While each project can be done in one sitting, take it at your (or their) own pace. No need to rush.

\*The handouts are designed for elementary students to be able to read through themselves, but will likely need some hand on assistance at times. Little ones that can’t read or are at an early reading level will need you to walk through the steps with them where there aren’t videos.

\*When noted, there are videos that accompany the instructions for steps that are harder to explain in text. These can all be found on Teachable.com and are labeled according to the project title. You can access the videos free as part of the kit. Please use the code CREATEKIT for free access at ----------

\*Some of these lessons can be adapted for older kiddos- just let them explore and use the “steps” as a guideline of sorts. For littles that need more help, feel free to simplify and make it work for you!

\*When teaching kids, AND adults, I often need to remind creators; It’s not about the product, but the process. If you find yourself or someone else that’s creating getting frustrated, stop. Breathe. Come back later. And then ask yourself- “Am I making this too much about getting it to look “right” or a certain way, or am I letting the process of creating be fun, a little messy, and a tad our of my control?” It’s hard. I know. But the more you can encourage and remind your creators (and yourself) that the point is not a perfect product, but a chance to create from the heart- you will be freer to just let everyone explore. I know you purchased the kit. I know you want a pretty thing to put up when you or they are done. Gotta let it go.

\*Lastly, these kits are a great springboard to beautiful moments- take advantage of them. Talk about what you create. Ask questions. Create together. Find another friend or family member to get a kit too and create at the same time. Let the deeper questions that come out be a chance to get to know the hearts of those you love, most importantly- the heart of the God that created us all and longs for us to experience His deep and intimate love. Enjoy creating friends!

Would you share your experiences? We would love to see how you’re using your kits- and sharing helps us too! Please tag @createdministry and #createkits and #createdministry in your photos and pass along the word if you’re enjoying the process!